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By: Nina L. McNeill  
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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of:

Hansen et al.

Application No.: 09/660,785

Filed: September 13, 2000

For: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR  
ONLINE CALL MANAGEMENT

Examiner: Unassigned

Art Unit: 2642

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION OF  
PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.47(a)

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Dear Sir:

Applicants respectfully petition for filing under 1.47(a) for the above-referenced case. Signed Declaration and Assignment documents are being filed from one of the three joint inventors (Scott Morrison) for this case. The other two inventors, Mr. Lee R. Quintanar and Benjamin E. Hansen, could not be reached after diligent efforts. The Declaration of Chad S. Hilyard, which includes proof of the pertinent facts and the last known address of the non-signing inventors, is provided herewith in support of this Petition.

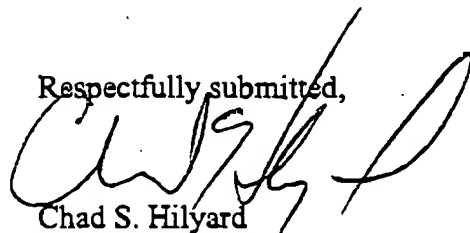
This application is made by inventor, Scott Morrison, and assignee, Qwest Communications International Inc., on behalf of the non-signing inventors, Mr. Quintanar and Mr. Hansen. The commissioner is authorized to charge the fee set forth in 37 CFR § 1.17(h)

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(\$130.00) to the undersigned's Deposit Account No. 20-1430. Please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to the above deposit account. This petition is submitted in triplicate.

Respectfully submitted,



Chad S. Hilyard  
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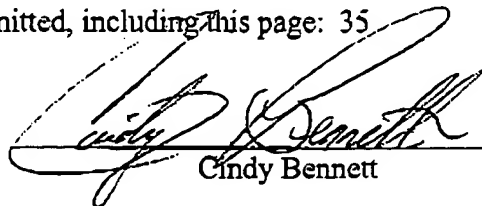
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**Document(s) Attached**

1. Notice of Abandonment dated 05/08/02 (1 page);
2. Fee Transmittal (1 page);
3. Transmittal Form (1 page);
4. Request for Reconsideration of Petition Under 37 C.F.R. §1.47(a) (2 pages);
5. Declaration of Chad S. Hilyard in Support of Petition Under 37 C.F.R. §1.47(a) (3 pages);
6. Exhibit A (7 pages); Exhibit B (1 page); Exhibit C (1 page); Exhibit D (1 page); Exhibit E (3 pages); Exhibit F (2 pages); Exhibit G (2 pages); and
7. Copy of the return postcard showing the PTO received the originally filed documents.

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Cindy Bennett

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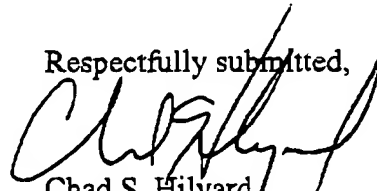
## COMMUNICATION

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Per your conversation with my assistant Cindy Bennett, as requested, we are re-submitting the attached "Request for Reconsideration of Petition Under 37 C.F.R. §1.47(a)" along with the Transmittals and Exhibits A-G that were mailed to the U.S. Patent Office on September 5, 2001 via first class mail. Also, enclosed is a copy of the return postcard showing the PTO received the originally filed documents. Applicant respectfully requests these documents be made of record in the above-referenced case, and the Notice of Abandonment (copy attached) being respectfully withdrawn.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Chad S. Hilyard  
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ABANDONMENT/TERMINATION  
LETTER

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## NOTICE OF ABANDONMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.53 (f) OR (g)

The above-identified application is abandoned for failure to timely or properly reply to the Notice to File Missing Parts (Notice) mailed on 10/27/2000.

- The retention fee of \$130 was received.

A petition to the Commissioner under 37 CFR 1.137 may be filed requesting that the application be revived.

Under 37 CFR 1.137(a), a petition requesting the application be revived on the grounds of **UNAVOIDABLE DELAY** must be filed promptly after the applicant becomes aware of the abandonment and such petition must be accompanied by: (1) an adequate showing of the cause of unavoidable delay; (2) the required reply to the above-identified Notice; (3) the petition fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(l); and (4) a terminal disclaimer if required by 37 CFR 1.137(d).

Under 37 CFR 1.137(b), a petition requesting the application be revived on the grounds of **UNINTENTIONAL DELAY** must be filed promptly after applicant becomes aware of the abandonment and such petition must be accompanied by: (1) a statement that the entire delay was unintentional; (2) the required reply to the above-identified Notice; (3) the petition fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(m); and (4) a terminal disclaimer if required by 37 CFR 1.137(d).

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# FEE TRANSMITTAL for FY 2001

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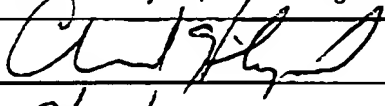
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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of:

Hansen et al.

Application No.: 09/660,785

Filed: September 13, 2000

For: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR  
ONLINE CALL MANAGEMENT

Examiner: Unassigned

Art Unit: 2642

DECLARATION OF CHAD S. HILYARD  
IN SUPPORT OF PETITION UNDER 37  
C.F.R. §1.47(a)

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I, Chad S. Hilyard, am an attorney at Townsend and Townsend and Crew LLP ("TTC"), representing Qwest Communications International Inc. ("Qwest") in the above-referenced patent application. I have made diligent efforts to contact Mr. Lee R. Quintanar and Mr. Benjamin E. Hansen, inventors (previously employees of Qwest) for the above-referenced case.

On April 27, 2001, David Halvorson, Senior Attorney at Qwest, filed a response to the Notice to File Missing parts mailed on October 27, 2000 for the above-referenced patent application. Mr. Halvorson's response included a Petition under 1.47(a), as well as a Declaration supporting the relevant facts. A copy of the response to the Notice to File Missing Parts, the Petition under 1.47(a) and the Declaration are attached hereto as **Exhibit A**.

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On or about early May, 2001, TTC and, more specifically, I took over the prosecution of the above-referenced patent application.

On July 25, 2001, I made further attempts to obtain the necessary signatures on the Declaration and Assignment documents for this case. Specifically, I conducted an Internet search to obtain the most current address and telephone number for inventors, Mr. Benjamin E. Hansen and Mr. Lee R. Quintanar.

Mr. Hansen's last known address is 101 S. Quitman, Denver, Colorado 80219. This address is different from Mr. Hansen's address set forth on the patent application as originally filed. A copy of a printout of an Internet search showing Mr. Hansen's last known address is attached hereto as **Exhibit B**.

Mr. Quintanar's last known address is 1155 Oakdale Place, Boulder, Colorado 80304. This address is the same as Mr. Quintanar's address set forth on the patent application as originally filed. A copy of a printout of an Internet search showing Mr. Quintanar's last known address is attached hereto as **Exhibit C**.

Because the current address of Mr. Hansen is different than the address on the patent application as originally filed, I prepared new Declaration and Assignment documents reflecting Mr. Hansen's updated address. A copy of the new Declaration is attached as **Exhibit D** and a copy of the new Assignment is attached as **Exhibit E**.

On July 31, 2001, I sent Federal Express packages to the last known addresses for Mr. Hansen and Mr. Quintanar, forwarding a copy of the patent application and the new Declaration and Assignment documents to each. A copy of the letter and Federal Express receipt for the package sent to Mr. Hansen is attached hereto as **Exhibit F**. A copy of the letter and Federal Express receipt for the package sent to Mr. Quintanar is attached hereto as **Exhibit G**.

On September 4, 2001, I called both Mr. Hansen and Mr. Quintanar to discuss their signing of the Declaration and Assignment documents. Neither Mr. Hansen nor Mr. Quintanar were home at the time I called, so I left a message with both.

As of this date, I have not received a response to my telephone calls, and we have not received signed Declaration or Assignment documents from either Mr. Hansen or Mr. Quintanar.

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## FORMALITIES LETTER



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## NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

*Filing Date Granted*

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is missing.  
*A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.*
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
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Qwest Docket No.: 1692

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of:

HANSEN ET AL.

Application No.: 09/660,785

Filed: September 13, 2000

For: ONLINE CALL ALERT  
NOTIFICATION

Examiner: Not Assigned

Art Unit: Not Assigned

DECLARATION ACCOMPANYING PETITION FOR  
FILING OF PATENT APPLICATION WHEN  
INVENTOR IS UNAVAILABLE TO EXECUTE  
PAPERS UNDER 37 CFR §1.47(A)

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

I, David Halvorson, declare as follows:

- 1) I am employed as Senior Attorney at Qwest Communications International, Inc. ("Qwest"). I am responsible for handling patent matters for Qwest.
- 2) Qwest retains outside patent attorneys to file patent applications on its behalf. As part of their function, it is the responsibility of the outside patent attorneys to work with inventors in order to draft patent applications and file the patent applications with the United States Patent Office. Among other responsibilities assigned to and generally assumed by the outside counsel is the responsibility to prepare any necessary formal documents for filing with the United States Patent Office and to obtain any necessary signatures of the inventors. If the signatures of the inventors are not available at the time of filing the patent application, it is the responsibility of the attorney filing the patent application to obtain the necessary signatures.

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- 3) In the case of the present application, the inventors apparently unavailable for signing the necessary oath or declaration at the time of filing. As a result, the present application was filed without signatures.
- 4) On or about November 7, 2000, Qwest received a Filing Receipt together with a Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application (both mailed by the U.S. Patent Office on October 27, 2000.
- 5) Qwest merged with U.S. West during the summer of 2000 and, as a result, has undergone significant changes including attrition of a large number of employees including virtually all employees of Qwest's legal department involved with prosecution of patents. As a result, paperwork associated with the present application was not fully processed until March, 2001.
- 6) On March 14, 2001, Qwest sent a copy of the Notice to File missing parts to Paul Schwartz of Schwartz & Schwartz (the attorney who had originally filed the present application).
- 7) Apparently as a result of a communication error, Mr. Schwartz did not obtain the necessary signatures and did not file a response to the Notice to File Missing Parts.
- 8) In the late afternoon on April 26, 2001, Mr. Schwartz notified the undersigned that a response to the Notice to File Missing Parts had not been filed.
- 9) The undersigned immediately undertook diligent efforts to contact the inventors in order to obtain necessary signatures by telephoning the inventors at their last known telephone numbers. Unfortunately, two of the inventors are no longer employed by Qwest and were not available at their last known telephone numbers. The third inventor, Mr. Scott Morrison was available and has executed the declaration.

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of any own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further, that these


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statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application, any patent issuing thereon, or any patent to which this verified statement is directed.

Respectfully submitted,

  
David Halvorson  
Reg. 38,395

Qwest Communications Incorporated, Inc.  
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PETITION FOR FILING OF PATENT  
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37 CFR §1.47(A)

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Sir:

Qwest Communications International, Inc., a Delaware Corporation, having a place of business at 1801 California Street, Denver, CO 80202 (hereinafter "Qwest") by virtue of its proprietary interest in the above-referenced application requests that the application be filed under the provisions of 37 CFR §1.47(a) and 35 USC §116 on behalf of inventors who have not executed the documents necessary to complete the above-referenced application.

Petitioner states as follows:

- 1) 409.03(a)(A): Transmitted herewith is an oath executed in accordance with 37 C.F.R. 409.03(a)(A). This oath is executed by Scott Morrison, one of the named inventors of the present application. In addition, signature blocks for the remaining inventors are left blank. In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 409.03(a)(A), it is respectfully requested that the oath is treated as having been signed on behalf of the non-signing inventors.

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- 2) 409.03(a)(B): The attached DECLARATION ACCOMPANYING PETITION FOR FILING OF PATENT APPLICATION WHEN INVENTOR IS UNAVAILABLE TO EXECUTE PAPERS UNDER 37 CFR §1.47(A) (the "Declaration") describes the facts and circumstances under which the inventors are unavailable to execute the oath after diligent effort on the part of Qwest.
- 3) 409.03(a)(C): The last known addresses of each of the non-signing inventors is as follows:
  - a) Benjamin E. Hansen  
9898 Teller Court  
Westminster, CO 80021
  - b) Lee R. Quintanar  
1155 Oakdale Place  
Boulder, CO 80303
- 4) The filing of this Petition is necessary to preserve the rights of Qwest in order to maintain the present application. The present application makes a claim for priority under four earlier filed applications (60/153,847; 60/153,790; 60/153,852 and 60/153,910).

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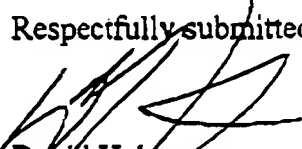
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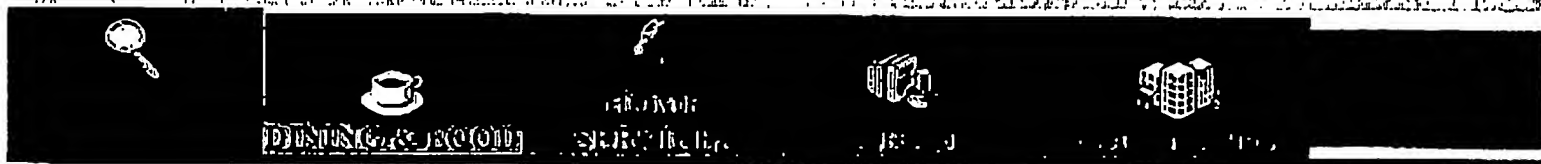


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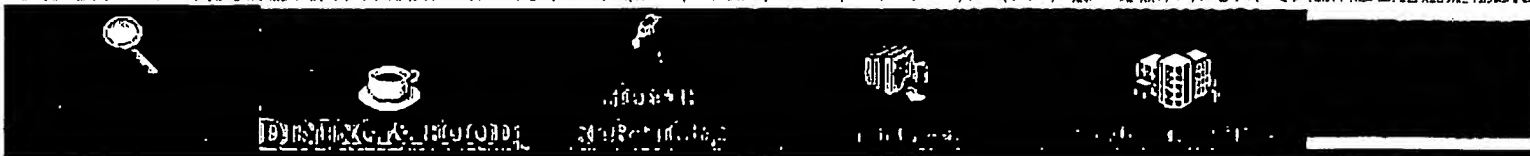


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20366-069200US

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**DECLARATION**

As a below named inventor, I declare that:

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I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above. I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 1.56. I claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, Section 119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed.

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# EXHIBIT E

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## ASSIGNMENT OF PATENT APPLICATION

WHEREAS, Benjamin E. Hansen, of 101 South Quitman, Denver, Colorado 80219, Quintanar R. Lee, of 1155 Oakdale Place, Boulder, Colorado 80304 and Scott Morrison, of 1520 Zang Street, Lakewood, Colorado 80228, hereinafter referred to as "Assignor," is the inventor of the invention described and set forth in the below-identified application for United States Letters Patent:

Title of Invention: Method and System for Online Call Management

Date(s) of execution of Declaration:

Filing Date: 09/13/2000

Application No.: 09/660,785; and

WHEREAS, Qwest Communications International Inc., of 1801 California Street, 38<sup>th</sup> Floor, Denver, Colorado 80202, hereinafter referred to as "ASSIGNEE," is desirous of acquiring an interest in the invention and application and in any U.S. Letters Patent and Registrations which may be granted on the same;

For good and valuable consideration, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged by Assignor, Assignor has assigned, and by these presents does assign to Assignee all right, title and interest in and to the invention and application and to all foreign counterparts (including patent, utility model and industrial designs), and in and to any Letters Patent and Registrations which may hereafter be granted on any patent application claiming priority from the same in the United States and all countries throughout the world, and to claim the priority from the application as provided by the Paris Convention. The right, title and interest is to be held and enjoyed by Assignee and Assignee's successors and assigns as fully and exclusively as it would have been held and enjoyed by Assignor had this Assignment not been made, for the full term of any Letters Patent and Registrations which may be granted thereon, or of any division, renewal, continuation in whole or in part, substitution, conversion, reissue, prolongation or extension thereof.

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Assignor hereby authorizes and requests Townsend and Townsend and Crew LLP, Two Embarcadero Center, 8<sup>th</sup> Floor, San Francisco, CA 94111-3834, to insert herein above the application number and filing date of said application when known.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, Assignor has signed his/her name on the date indicated.

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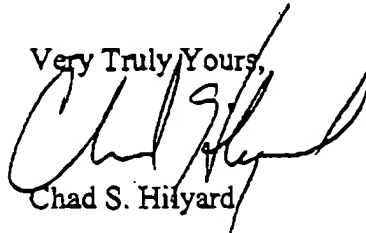
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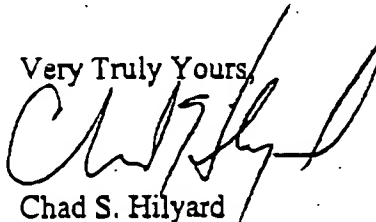
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